

REMARKS

Claims 17-51 are now pending in the application. The claims are subject to a restriction requirement between the invention of claims 17-21 and 33-47 of Group I and the invention of claims 26-32 of Group II, The Office Action designates 22-25 and 48-51 are linking claims. If the linking claims are held allowable, the restriction requirement between the claims of Groups I and II shall be withdrawn.

Applicants elect the invention of Group I for examination.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1220.

Respectfully submitted,

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